

Ann Kearsley

EDUCATION

Harvard University Graduate School of Design

Master in Landscape Architecture, 1990

Master of Landscape Architecture in Urban Design, 1990

Dartmouth College

Bachelor of Arts, 1980 (Highest Distinction)

PROFESSIONAL

Ann Kearsley Design

1983 – present

Owner & Principal of Landscape Architecture & Urban Design Firm

Registered Landscape Architect: AZ#36907, MA#4032, ME#3075, OH#1501342

CLARB Certified Landscape Architect • Maine DOT Certified DBE - Woman Owned Business

Landscape & Urban Design: AKD specializes in ecologically based landscape design, linking landscape form and spatial structure to the dynamics of a site's natural systems and the enhancement of ecological function. Firm projects include large scale master planning, site planning, urban parks, landscapes for art, public and private gardens and productive agricultural landscapes. With 35 years' experience designing and building landscapes for individuals, institutions and communities, AKD's work is founded on a commitment to establishing meaningful, sustainable and resilient connections between people and the landscapes they inhabit.

AKD provides a full range of landscape design services including: site analysis, site planning, conceptual design, design development, permitting, construction documents, construction administration.

Sculpture Siting & Installation Management: AKD consults with municipalities, institutions and private clients on the selection and siting of outdoor sculpture. We manage all aspects of art installation in both existing landscapes and in landscapes designed by AKD. Sculpture sited includes work by: Magdalena Abakanowicz, Louise Bourgeois, Alexander Calder, Mark DiSuvero, Nancy Holt, Jenny Holzer, Gillian Jagger, Luis Jimenez, Ellsworth Kelly, Willem de Kooning, Sol LeWitt, Roy Lichtenstein, Dennis Oppenheim, Richard Serra, Kiki Smith, Tony Smith, William Tucker, Ursula von Rydingsvard.

TEACHING

Northeastern University

Fall 2014 - present

School of Architecture • Urban Landscape Architecture Program

- Plant Identification & Engagement • Planting Design
- Site Materials & Methods • Sustainable Site Construction & Detailing

The Landscape Institute

2008 - 2010

Harvard University • Boston Architectural College

- Sustainable Site Engineering • Green Roofs & Rain Gardens

SELECTED PROJECTS

Wolfe's Neck Farm Foundation

Freeport, Maine
10/2014 – present

Master Planning & Landscape Design

AKD, in collaboration with GO Logic, LLC (architects) and Thomas Fowler P.E. (civil) (AKD prime), developed a Master Plan for Wolfe's Neck Farm, a 626 saltwater farm in Freeport, ME. The Master Plan integrates WNF's varied existing agricultural related programming, including a new Pasture Dairy Facility and Farmer Training Program, a Summer Camp, Teen Agriculture program, an Education Center for Sustainable Agriculture programming and Recompence Campground. The project is currently in design and permitting phase.

Episcopal Diocese of Ohio

Bellwether Farm
Camp and Retreat Ministry
Wakeman, Ohio

Master Planning & Landscape Design

AKD partnered with GO Logic, LLC to develop a Master Plan for a summer camp and retreat center proposed by the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio. The goals of the facility are to integrate spiritual growth, social justice and fidelity to the environment by creating a ministry centered around sustainable agriculture. AKD worked with EDoOH to articulate detailed project programming and sustainability goals. These goals are incorporated into the Site Plan for the 140 acre project farm using principles of Landscape Ecology: primary program elements are located within an 'Expanded Edge', a transitional landscape zone between farm fields and forest. The Master Plan includes proposals for sustainable landscape development, stormwater management and erosion control, architecture, sustainable farm operations and forest management, as well as project pricing and implementation phasing.

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Long Creek Watershed Management District

Stormwater Management Retrofit

South Portland, ME
2014 - 2015

Maine Dept of Transportation & The Louis Berger Group, Inc.

US Route 1 Renovation

Ogunquit, ME
2014 - 2015

Unity College

SonnenHaus Village & TerraHaus

Unity, ME
10/2010 - 8/2011

GO Logic, LLC

The GO Home

Belfast, ME
2009 - 2010

Kaplan Thompson Architects

Bright Built Barn

Rockport, ME
8/2007 - 8/2009

Tau

The Tony Smith Sculpture Project

South Orange, NJ
10/2002 - 10/2008

Arts-on-the-Point

University of
Massachusetts, Boston
6/1997 - 2007

Stormwater Management & Urban Design

AKD teamed with the Horsley Witten Group (prime) to develop a stormwater management strategy and design green infrastructure retrofits for the 66 acre Maine Mall catchment area, currently with over 90% impervious cover. Project scope includes development of an urban forest framework to guide a planned tree planting program for this dense, commercial area.

Stormwater Management • BMP (outfall) Design

AKD designed 12 stormwater drainage outlet structures in extremely constrained conditions along streambanks and remnant wetlands. Specifying bioengineering techniques to treat runoff and stabilize vegetative cover on receiving slopes, AKD developed new Special Provisions/Supplemental MDOT Specifications and planting phasing guidelines.

Campus Planning • Site Planning • Landscape Design

Unity College is a small, rural, liberal arts college with a focus on environmental studies. AKD's Site Plan and landscape design for TerraHaus and the SonnenHaus Village initiated Unity's shift towards an ecologically based framework for development at the College, characterized by combining the principles of Landscape Ecology with the functional requirements of a working landscape that supports the College's Sustainability Science curriculum. TerraHaus awards include: The EcoHome 2012 Grand Award; the 2012 Evergreen Award from EcoStructure; a Citation for Excellence in Architecture from AIA New England.

Site Planning • Landscape Design • USGBC's LEED for Homes 2011 Project of the Year

The GO Home, a super energy efficient residential prototype for the Belfast Maine CoHousing Community, was completed by GO Logic, LLC in 2010. AKD sited the building, and designed and managed the installation of GO Home's sustainable landscape by preserving and expanding on the existing healthy site ecology during and after construction. GO Home received a USGBC LEED Platinum rating and national recognition as the USGBC LEED for Homes 2011 Project of the Year.

Site Planning • Landscape Design • 2009 LEED for Homes Innovative Project Award

A cross disciplinary collaboration to design and build an ecologically sustainable building with net zero carbon emissions. AKD sited the building, developed a construction staging plan to minimize site impacts and designed a landscape restoration plan to re-establishing the original plant community, and adding native species to increase habitat resources. Project awarded USGBC LEED Platinum rating; 2009 USGBC LEED for Homes Innovative Project Award; Treehugger 2008 Best Single Family Project.

The Tony Smith Sculpture Project

Influential sculptor Tony Smith (1927-1980) lived most of his life in South Orange, NJ. In 2002, the Smith family of South Orange gifted his sculpture 'Tau' to the Village of South Orange. AKD participated in a long public process, developing designs siting the work in several potential sites in downtown South Orange and managing Tau's installation. www.tonymithsouthorange.org

Consultant for Sculpture Installation and Landscape Design

Arts-on-the-Point is a privately funded public sculpture park on the 185-acre University of Massachusetts, Boston harborside campus. AKD sited sculpture and managed all aspects of installation and related landscape design. Sculpture sited for AotP includes work by: Magdalena Abakanowicz, Alexander Calder, Mark DiSuvero, Nancy Holt, Jenny Holzer, Gillian Jagger, Luis Jimenez, Ellsworth Kelly, Willem de Kooning, Sol LeWitt, Roy Lichtenstein, Dennis Oppenheim, Richard Serra, Tony Smith, William Tucker, Ursula von Rydingsvard. www.artsonthepoint.com

LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

Society for Ecological Restoration • European Conference 2018 • Reykjavik, Iceland: Resilient Coastal Communities
Coastal Maine Botanical Garden 2018 • Workshop • Stormwater Management in Residential Landscapes
Maine Stormwater Conference 2017 • Wolfe's Neck Farm: A Case Study in Integrative Stormwater Management
Society for Ecological Restoration • International Conference 2017 • Iguassu, Brazil: Collaborative Design in Ecological Restoration
Society for Ecological Restoration • European Conference 2016 • Munich, Germany: Restoration Principles in Landscape Architecture
Boston Society of Landscape Architects • 2016 BSLA Awards Jury
Ecological Landscape Alliance • 2014 Season's End Summit • Resilient Landscape Design / Case Studies
ABX 2014 • Boston Society of Architects Expo • Design for Disturbance: Anticipating the post-construction landscape
Massachusetts Horticulture Society • Thursday Night Lecture Series: Ecological Landscape Design